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Applicants: Masahiro SANO et al
For: SURFACE TREATMENT CHEMICALS, FIBER AND PRODUCT
TREATED WITH THE SURFACE TREATMENT CHEMICALS
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Sir:

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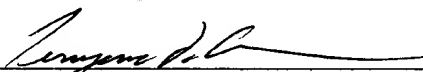

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